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Abbreviations:

<i>Italics</i>	Spoken in English
IA	Inaudible
UI	Unintelligible
PH	Phonetic
[]	Background Conversation / Noise/Translator's comments
SC	Simultaneous conversation

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Gh: Hello

Wi: Hello

Gh: Peace be upon you.

Wi: And peace be upon you

Gh: Is Shukri there?

Wi: Yes, one second [To Shukri] Shukri..., a telephone. [Background noise].

Sh: Hello

Gh: Peace be upon you

Sh: [UI].

Gh: Umar called the *Holy Land* Today

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: He says there is a news item in the *Washington...in er, The Jerusalem Post* about the closure two offices.

Sh: Yeah.

Gh: So I got the article out. Er..., it says, "*Two suspected Hamas financial basis, The Holy Land Fund...*"

Sh: Hrrm...

Gh: "...in Jerusalem and Islamic Relief Committee in Nazareth..."

Sh: Hrrm..

Gh: "...were shut down yesterday by Police and IDF troops as part of the continuing crackdown on Hamas terrorism.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"Police also confiscated documents from the Holy Land Fund...."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...which investigators hope will allow them to locate the exact sources of Hamas funding"*.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"The Government is demanding foreign governments close down those sources...."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...believed to come from the United States and elsewhere"*.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"The Foundation located in the Beit Hanina neighborhood is the second Hamas-affiliated organization shut down in the Capitol since Dizengoff bombing"*.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"Police sources said more Hamas-affiliated groups in the city also face closure in the coming days"*.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"The Fund operates as a connection to The National Salvation Committee", what is this Salvation Committee?"*

Sh: Odd.

Gh: What?

Sh: Committee...*National Salvation?* Which is the National Salvation, that's the committee? [SC].

Gh: National Salvation Committee [SC].

Sh: *What is that?*

Gh: Or the National, National Salvation Committee.

Sh: What about it?

Gh: Who are they?

Sh: *I don't know. Huh. This is the first time I hear about it.*

Gh: *"The fund operates as a connection to the National Salvation Committee..."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...to funds in the US...."*

Sh: Hmm....

Gh: *"...that are also affiliated with the Hamas...."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...said the closure order signed by O.C. Hall...."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...fund commander Shamoel Arad"*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"The order also stated that the closure was for fourteen days, but that Arad would consider signing an order shutting down the office for one year". So, this closure only for fourteen days.*

Sh: Hmm..

Gh: *"The Holy Land Fund directors were given 96 hours to appeal the closure"*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *Which is how many days? About 5 days?*

Sh: Hmm...I think, there is a mix up there.

Gh: *Four days, huh?*

Sh: *There is a mix up. We...er, they had fourteen days to appeal, and it will be..., otherwise if*

there is no *appeal filed*...

Gh: *He will sign the one here.*

Sh: *Yeah.*

Gh: *Automatically, yeah*

Sh: *Yeah. There is nothing like this.... Anyway, we already..., the attorney spoke to the...*

Gh: *Yeah.*

Sh: *We also transferred to him as well.*

Gh: *Yeah. "Police said the fund oversaw the allocation of money to Hamas terrorists".*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *"...and the families of those terrorists..."*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *"...killed or imprisoned in attacks".*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *So, if there is a child that his father has died...you know, that's...this talk is from me.. Anyway.*

Sh: *Yes.*

Gh: *"Several workers were at the Fund..."*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *"...at the time police issued the order...."*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *"...and left the first floor office without incident, a police spokesman said".*

Sh: *[Laughs], I mean, are they...er, are they going to shoot them...?*

Gh: Um ... [SC]

Sh: I mean, is there going to be a fight, I mean? [laughs].

Gh: *"In Nazareth, thousands of shekels in cash..."*

Sh: Hmm..

Gh: *"... as well as hundreds of checks, documents, fax machines, computers, desks and other office equipment were confiscated from the office of the Islamic Relief Committee..."*

Sh: No strength but in God.

Gh: *"...on suspicion that it was transferring funds to Hamas under the guise of humanitarian aid"*

Sh: No strength but in God. [SC]

Gh: *"The office itself was closed and later welded shut"*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"The measures were taken in accordance with orders issued by Defense Minister Shimon Perez and ...UI. er..."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...Northern Command Major General Amiram Levine"*

Sh: Hmm..

Gh: *"The raid followed investigations lasting over a year..."*

Sh: Hmm....

Gh: *"... into the activities of the Relief Committee"*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"It also came after the arrest, earlier this month of deputy Um Al Fahm Mayor..."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...Dr. Suleiman Aghbariyah, on allegations of providing funds to families of Hamas activists".*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"The Relief Organization is believed to be responsible for transferring millions of shekels to families of Hamas activists..."*

Sh: Hmm..

Gh: *"...and in some cases, terrorists".*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"Sheik Kamel er..., El Hatib..."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"Kamel Hatib, head of the Islamic Movement in the area..."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...stressed that all funds raised by the organization were used to help orphans and the needy. He said that the action taken yesterday was the biggest mistake by the government of peace".*

Sh: Hmm..

Gh: *"Hatib said that without the help of the organization, 8500 orphans would be left in the dire straits..."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...maybe they will go into the streets, deal in Hashish, become thieves, or maybe something even worst, and become harsh enemies of the State of Israel".*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...he said". Anyway, another piece of news, United Nations to raise one hundred million for Palestinians".*

Sh: Hmm..

Gh: "The United Nations plan to coordinate an emergency three months... See even The United Nations is a culprit, in the er..

Sh: Huh...[SC].

Gh: ...in the...er, how? The United Nations plans to coordinate an emergency three months one hundred million public works fund for Palestintans living in the territories due to Israeli signals...

Sh: [laughs].

Gh: signal... Listen to that, "...due to Israeli signals that the territories closure will continue on til after the May 1929 election". So the entire..., so that's from me now,...

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: ...the entire population actually now it's pully [sic] for politics. Anyway, furthermore Israeli planned pull back from Hebron on March 28 will be delayed indefinitely, but this is not, er.....

Sh: Fimm...

Gh: Ah..so..hmm...[reading to himself] he might deport Palestinians... Ok, "Tereze Larsen, United Natons special coordinator for the territories confirmed last night that the Palestinians and Israelis have approved putting together an emergency fund of one hundred million for public works inside the territories, we need to put together an emergency fund of donors now because the situation is at best fragile".

Sh: No strength but in God.

Gh: "And if left unchecked, it will become unpredictably dangerous, and unstable in the next few weeks".

Sh: No strength but in God. Something unbelievable.

Gh: "Larsen said that 40 million [sic] of the funds would go to the Gaza, [sic] 40 million to the Gaza". I mean, these are the expenses of a party in Hollywood. Anyway, "...and sixty million to the West Bank, he estimated that 20 thousand workers from Gaza depend upon Israel for their livelihood, and cash workers feeds [sic], about 10 people", so you're talking about 200 thousand hungry in Gaza now. "He also estimated that 50 thousand Palestinian workers from the West Bank also depend upon works in Israel", times 10 se...500 thousand, and two, 700 thousand Palestinians now is [sic] under hunger...

Sh: Aha...

Gh: *That's the numbers I added, anyway. "He said that the one million will include an injection of fresh money as well as the re-channeling of existing funds, fueling speculation that this will include earmarked project assistance", meaning the money that was originally going to projects they are now going to transfer it to the, "A meeting will be held on the issue this week including a key session tomorrow in Gaza which will bring together Palestinians and representatives of the World Bank and key donor countries, the US, European Union, Japan, Norway and Israel. Perez informed the cabinet of the funds formation at yesterday's cabinet meeting He said Israel will contribute to the fund..."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...but did not specify how much".*

Sh: No strength but in God.

Gh: He is probably going to get the money from the taxes they collected from the arab workers.

Sh: Yes.

Gh: *"Over the weekend Israel..er... [mumbling], there is an Israeli man, what does he say? I want you to..., probably this can be used in a letter, quoting an Israeli saying that [mumbling]. "Ok, moreover despite objection by Perez Ministers and Attorney General Michael Bin Yair, Perez went on record yesterday as saying that he favored deportation for Palestinians tried to suicide bombs. He gave no detail except to say it would not include any innocents. Both absorption minister Yael Tesban and communication minister Shelmet Aloni oppose deportation..."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...and blowing up of homes". Quote, "Apart from the morality of this, show me that deportation and the blowing up homes were actually successful as deterrent", end quote. Tesban said. Aloni questioned why the home of the family of the 1994 Hebron killer Baruch Goldstein was not blown up saying it [sic] double standard..[SC]..."*

Sh: Is that the Minister talking? [SC]

Gh: That's Aloni who is Minister of...er...Minister..er...

Sh: Hmm...

Gh:Communication Minister.

Sh: Ok.

Gh: *"Shalome Aloni, yeah. [SC]. "Environment Minister, Yossi Sared, said he favored providing Palestinians with Israeli emergency inventory food supplies, but the Cabinet rejected this idea".*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *It seems that they have emergency inventory food supplies.*

Sh: *Sure, yeah.*

Gh: *So they are refusing, they won't let the dogs die." In the mean time Palestinians yesterday responded to a statement published by Is..., by the Israelis in the largest selling Palestinian daily, "Al Quds", on March 14. The Israeli statement read [sic], "We support a Palestinian State and the right for Palestinians to earn a living, we recognize whatever ... [mumbling]. Speaking during a visit... [mumbling]. Yeah but this is, listen, listen, listen what [UI] says...*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *I, huh..., "If we have to close this area, to my deep regret, we will do". This is the president of the State of Israel.*

Sh: *Hmm...Hmm...*

Gh: *"The Palestinians have to understand that their future", and look at this man, this is extremely dangerous, I wouldn't mind even putting it in my literature. "The Palestinians have to understand that their future", and listen to that, "The Palestinian has to understand that their future has to be linked to our economy".*

Sh: *Wow...*

Gh: *"...and that it is conditional upon their behavior".*

Sh: *Wow...Wow*

Gh: *man, this is outrageous.*

Sh: *Slavery, slavery.*

Gh: *This is outrageous statement that requires even a press conference, I swear to the Great God.*

Sh: *Ok, speaking of press conferences...er, Umar had talked to me...*

Gh: Yes.

Sh: ...He says that Schumer is now distributing a document...

Gh: Uhm.

Sh: ...he and Steve Emerson, Er...er, which came out of the *Holy Land Foundation*, fax, or such, to Fawaz, Fawaz Hammad

Gh: Yes.

Sh: "Please distribute the...er, the quanti...er, the such, the following...er, such amount for the Zakat Committee, for the orphans, such amount for such Zakat Committee, such amount for such Zakat Committee".

Gh: Hmm...

Sh:so we can distribute it during the Eid, something like that.

Gh: Yes.

Sh: So, he considers that as evidence.

Gh: Yes

Sh: And is distributing it to the *media*.

Gh: Hmm...

Sh: So, Mohammad is telling me...er, Umar, he also said that there is an *article* in *The Christian Science Monitor* saying that there is a possibility that *within the next days* the President may issue a *presidential order* cutting off the assistance to Palestine, one way or another, I mean, *he doesn't know what format...*

Gh: Hmm...

Sh: ...*but it could involve the Holy Land Foundation*. So his opinion is that we *speed up* the subject of...er...what do you call it, er...for us to have *PR*, and to go to Washington, you and I and to take Umar...

Gh: Aha...

Sh: ...and hold a *press conference there* to refute Schumer's allegations, during which we need to talk about..., about the Foundation and it's work and such, because in Washington

all the talk is coming out of Washington and there is nobody to respond to them in Washington.

Gh: Hmm...

Sh: He even suggests that if we leave Umar there for about a month so he can contact the *Congress people* and such, and to give him, I mean, a *plan*, so he can explain the nature of the operations and such, to try and do some *PR*, but, and... speed up the issue of finding an agreement with a *law firm* and to open an *escrow account*, in case something should happen, God forbid, they freeze the accounts and such at least there will be an *escrow account* for the *legal de..., defense*, or something like that. What I understood is that if there is a freeze on any accounts, *you cannot even use it for defense*.

Gh: No.

Sh: *Yeah*, unless we come to an agreement, from a particular account before anything happens.

Gh: What I know is that even if you had an *escrow account*, *you can...er...er...if a decision was made to freeze*, they will even freeze the *escrow*.

Sh: By God, I don't know.

Gh: Of course.

Sh: *Yeah*.

Gh: No, no of course. [SC]

Sh: *How are you supposed to defend yourself?*

Gh: *It is..., its not their problem* [laughs]

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: If there is a problem regarding money...er.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: If there is a problem regarding money, they will take it even it is in Bahrain.

Sh: *Yeah*.

Gh: So, [sniffing], it's not...er.

Sh: Yeah, [SC][UI]..But he says that talk has increased these days about the Foundation, they say that the Foundation is targeted now, it's very clear, from the *New York Times*, and others, from this, he says that we have to move at the Washington level. So, *I don't know whether we can really expedite this*, I am convinced that, *we need to be in Washington somehow, meet with the friends and also call for a conference*, to refute the silly talk that this Schumer who comes out with a paper everyday and says that this is evidence.

Gh: Where did Umar get this news from?

Sh: Er..By God, I don't know who talked to him.

Gh: Hmm.

Sh: He has a *network*, they call him and such, what you are talking about in the *Jerusalem Post*. He got it by *e-mail*. So, as you would say, it needs some activity at the level of Washington because our opinion is not heard in Washington. *There is only all these rumors*, and we didn't do anything I mean, if we had done similar to what we did last year, er...and some organizations around us and we would have at least talked about the human rights for Palestinians and about the *double standard* and the *quotation* and that you brought, that the Israeli Ministers themselves have disagreements among themselves, and considering the Palestinian child a *potential terrorist*, saying that we have to starve these people to death and that the whole idea is to *create an economic slave*. It seems to me that what you mentioned today *we need*, you need to make *copies* of it because it could be very useful to us, like *how...*, *how some of the Israelis think*, I mean, *why all of these measures, why are they*, I mean, *denying the Palestinians*, I mean, what do you call it? the assistance, I mean there is..., there is a concept that, I think it needs some work.

Gh: It is...er, *yeah* [laughs]...er....er, *my God*.

Sh: *Yeah*.

Gh: *You spend your time just doing business...*[SC]

Sh: *Well, well, well, this is, eh...what the problem is that...*, I mean, we might not know, we could be in the last stages of the battle and we're unaware of it, I mean, the situation would have really developed, *so dramatically*, *I was there*, it is, *all what it takes is for somebody to come and issue a presidential order, they can, they can*, I mean, *drag us into courts* [UI][SC]

Gh: What would the *press conference* will do?

Sh: *Will do...*, at least you, er..., er... *you are on the attack, you are ...er*, its possible that you

can rally some of the opinions in the Congress, you create some pressure, you raise issues that is not being raised by the media, which is double standard, and the talk and how the Palestinian individual is being treated, and then you, when you go there and all of the fuss is about 1.5 million dollars talking about, I'm sure the people now, the word in the media they say "Wow...these people are sending millions of dollars", because they, they are not putting any, any money to the value. But we you go and..., and you set the straight record..., the record straight that what you're talking about is...er, is...er, is...er...actually .6, I mean, 60 cents per, per Palestinian, compared to the 1.5 billion dollars that goes, I mean, er...I don't know it needs, that's why I said it needs a public relations, somebody really to help us put some package together. So...er, er..., he will be in Los Angeles and he will bring Rafiq and such, I told him we, we cannot do it by ourself [sic], there must be some mobilization for the broad Muslim public. So...er, so he is saying, he suggested that we hold a meeting in Los Angeles, this coming weekend. So, I second it really, you and I can go and see see Isam there, and see if its possible for us to organize some kind of public relation package. It is, it is I mean, look..., look at it this way, I mean, you, you could, we could be in the red already, I mean, we could be spinning our wheels and collect more money, do this and such and at the end, ...er..er, you don't know where, where your money is gonna end up [UI], it could get seized, it could turn out....[SC]

Gh: By God, I, I look at the matter this way...

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: I'd rather spend my money collecting money now, my, my time is collecting money now. Now you're going to go out, travel and do public relation and meet and mobilize the Muslims, I swear to God if you assemble all the Muslims of America...

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: Listen to me..., in order to prevent the decision of the American Government from shutting down this organization, it's definitely going to be shut down. You got my point?

Sh: Yeah, I know.

Gh: Yes.

Sh: Yeah, but then you wouldn't show yourself as if you were...[SC]

Gh: Show my self as what?

Sh: Er..er..You will be, at least showed, er...I mean, you would have showed, er..er, that the nature of the battle, er...the nature of the game is political game, so no, er...er one of the, the donors or others come to you insulting your, or..or..tell you that these people...[UI],

we want to show that, that, the battle is a political one and that we are targeted, we are targeted as a charitable organization because Zionist program calls for the Palestinian individual becomes an economical slave and subordinate to Israel, even *the few pennies that go to feed the ho...the, the, the orphans*, that according to them is *objectionable*, its not a matter of supporting Hamas, because you are not, it's a matter of supporting the Palestinian people...

Gh: What's, then why don't I put my effort into collecting additional ...[UI] for more donation to me?

Sh: Ok, and then what?

Gh: You say that there is a decision coming for closure?

Sh: Aha..

Gh: The closure decision, if the decision comes out from the American Government for closure of the Holy Land Foundation....

Sh: Ah....

Gh: I swear to God, if you gather 17 Senators, they will not be able to prevent it, man in this country a Senator, a Senator with all his stature...

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: ...will all his stature if they found a picture of him

Sh: Hmm...

Gh:that he was doing I don't know what to a female, a Senator, er... who's been a Senator for 15 years, it will ruin him.

Sh: I know.

Gh: Er..what, what I am trying to say, if...er, they will not shut off this institution unless they come with a hard evidence.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: If they want to make it *polttical*...

Sh: *Yeah, it is political* [SC].

Gh: *Well, when they shut it off, we go out..*

Sh: *How would you...*

Gh: *L...er. [SC]*

Sh: *How would you go out?*

Gh: *How would you go out?*

Sh: *Without resources, without the money.*

Gh: *What resources? Its, no matter what you do, if now I took out \$100,000 and transferred it to some guys account in Saudi Arabia*

Sh: *No..[SC].*

Gh: *...and this guy from Saudi Arabia transferred it to a guy in Kuwait and the guy in Kuwait*

Sh:

Gh: *...transferred sent it to er..., Corpus Christi and from Corpus Christi it went to Congo and from Congo to Nigeria, they will find out, I don't know how, if, if, if I am a criminal....*

Sh: *Hmm....*

Gh: *...there is no way for you to protect yourself, my friend.*

Sh: *Hmm....*

Gh: *If you are a criminal, you gonna..... they're gonna get you*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *They're gonna get all your money, no matter what you do, I cannot imagine any way that you can get.... If..., if this money..is incriminated it will be all confiscated.*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *Do you understand me?*

Sh: *No. But, see, we are not talking about legality now because legally, legally [SC].*

Gh: *Yes it is, if you're talking about politics...[SC].*

Sh: *We are not, we are not criminals [SC].*

Gh: *Er..., If you talk about politics [SC].*

Sh: *You are not criminals....[SC].*

Gh: *I think the political way is to spend most of my money and my effort and my time is to raise the issue of the detain...er.. the..., the..., the closure, the..., the..., the..., the inhuman whatever, the operation, the collective punishment, the slavery, to bring this out through an ad campaign and hold a press conference for this reason and such, also to mention through it Schumer and his campaigns against us, but that has to be in a, er...within a plan, offensive plan of raising more money to the Palestinians...*

Sh: *Well, we, there is, er...er..., see, I..., I don't care how you put it, if you want to put it withing a plan to collect money, the important thing is that you, you need to look, you need to look proactive on the op, er...on the, on the offensive not the defensive, whether er...you're going to talk about the...er, ...the violations, you could do that, you go there and talk about the human rights violations and the starvation and such and in return..er, of course you are a subject matter, you are the Holy Land Foundation and the talk is about you anyway, the talk is about you, that you, you are the one who [SC].*

Gh: *I don't want public relations.*

Sh: *Yes.*

Gh: *...all I want is to do a press release*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *I will do it on the basis that next Monday*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *At 11:00 a.m....*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *In the, the Press Room, in the, in the..er., I don't know, in the what they call it, we let somebody reserve it for us, through CAIR, they understand about these things, and prepare the press release, and our literature and the press release should be that we are, er..er waging a national fundraising campaign...*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: ...national.

Sh: Yeah.

Gh: *This is our press, we are...er...er, launching a national fundraising campaign to counter the slavery of the Palestinians, the such, such, such, such, and also we are here to deny the allegations of the.....[SC], so and so.*

Sh: *Yeah. That's fine, that's fine.*

Gh: That's it.[SC]

Sh: *That's fine.*

Gh: I don't want *public relations*, or to go *Los Angeles*, and I don't want to do stuff. [SC].

Sh: *That's good.* [SC]

Gh: *That's all what I need..*

Sh: *That's good.* [SC]

Gh: *And if you...[SC]*

Sh: *I don't mind that...[SC]*

Gh: *...If you make a public, if you make a press release and fax it to all those medias [sic], they will come....*

Sh:

Gh: *...you are an item of news.*

Sh: *Yes*

Gh: *The Holy Land Foundation is an item of news now, it means excitement, it means tracing terrorism, it means presidential orders, it means Israel, it means....do you understand me?*

Sh: *Yeah.*

Gh: *Islam, it means fundamentalists, extremists, terrorists, so this is all, I mean, good items*

for the Media. It is proved in, in, even in...[UI].

Sh: *Yeah, yeah.* [SC]

Gh: *That this is something that really attracts the media to come over and talk about.*

Sh: *Aha...*

Gh: *That's what I would do.*

Sh: *Aha...*

Gh: *If you want, we can make er... my, my, my public relation work will be with er..er, if the people from CAIR agree, only to make the arrangement for me, er...er, I don't need their names, just I want them to er to arrange the meeting..*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *er...er, I, I mean the press*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *the, er..er, the, the, the administrative of the press conference or tell me how...*

Sh: *Aha...I agree...*[SC].

Gh: *...and I'll do it.*

Sh: *I agree with you.* [SC]

Gh: *Just make it on a Sunday.*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *And then, at that time, er..from, from, from today till Friday we prepare the pr...er, well er...er, in two, two, two to three days the press release should go out...*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *...talking about our meeting, and, and, and, meanwhile er...er, by Friday my, my fundraising plan would have started, now in the...*[SC]

Sh: *It should be, yeah.*

Gh: Now, you would be surprised on Monday a *presidential order* is issued.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *Alright? You can do nothing. Now this order could come Monday or Tuesday...*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: ...after we hold the *press conference*, people will see, I mean, that we, *we are trying to do something and here...*

Sh: *Yeah.*

Gh: ...*this is politics*, and I don't know what. Er..., Er..., That's it. Er..., that's it, *probably...er, ideal...*

Sh: Ok, Ok. I prefer that, God willing, tomorrow we work on, er...I work on the *campaign* and you....[SC][UI].

Gh: And I will call *CAIR* and, and work with Thomas in preparing... the *press release* because Thomas had a different opinion. [SC].

Sh: What is his opinion?

Gh: He told him that my opinion is for us to go out on a demonstration at the *City Hall*.

Sh: *I agree.*

Gh: Like we did er, er...during the days of er, er... Bosnia, I don't know what.

Sh: *Yeah.*

Gh: And gather the er.. *ADC*, the arabs and the Muslims and the Pakistanis and the Arabs from the *Arab-Pakistani Society* to go out and talk and make, er...make *coffins* for thirty children and put their names.

Sh: *Yeah.*

Gh: and their pictures, you see how?

Sh: Hmm..

Gh: And, and, and those who were killed in, in....er '95.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *I wanna do a thorough research to come out with all those 10 children who were killed in 1995.*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: We will make *coffins* for them, thirty black *coffins*.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: And, and to carry them and walk around the *City Hall*, those are the *Palestinians* who were killed in 1995.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: Er, er...er, *who, who, who are...er*, and, and make a *press conference* with the same content at the *local level*, of course, because we...[SC]

Sh: *I know.*

Gh: because our *Headquarter* is here. Let's do both local and in, er...and in..., in..., in *Washington*. [SC]

Sh: *We have to, we have to.*

Gh: *We do the one here, in, on...er, on, on Friday or Monday or Tuesday*, and, and on the same night. Thomas called me today.

Sh: Ahh...

Gh: *He wants to do that.*

Sh: I believe, *that's, that's very good*. I mean. [background noise].

Sh: Because Henry Kissinger, er...*in town, my friend.*

Sh: By God?

Gh: He came to town unexpectedly, nothing written about it in the newspaper or anything.

Sh: In the name of God, what is he doing?

Gh: Nothing, he came and is going to speak er, on, on *lots of things especially the latest*

er...things in the Middle East.

Sh: By God?

Gh: *Yeah, expect that tomorrow the newspapers will...*[SC]

Sh: Where is he going to be? I he going to have public lectures?

Gh: Er, a lecture with er, er...the *Jewish Community in Dallas*

Sh: Are you serious?

Gh: *Oh, yeah.*

Sh: *Jewish Community in Dallas?*

Gh: *Yeah, they invited him.*

Sh: Yes.

Gh: Yes.

Sh: *Hmm. Yeah, they want to have an organized attack, huh?* [SC]

Gh: What?

Sh: A very well organized attack.

Gh: Yes they brought him and Thomas tells me its clear that this operation, er...because normally, when somebody like this comes, *in his caliber, they announce ahead of time about him.*

Sh: *Yeah.*

Gh: *This one was not announced and er, er...which means er, er, it was a, a quick fix, er, er...*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *...trying to do something regarding whatever. So, maybe tomorrow, depending on what Henry Kissinger says, its possible, I mean, er...er, so its not the ADL its Henry Kissinger.*

Sh: Who's coming? Who invited him then?

Gh: *Jewish, whatever.*

Sh: For sure, it's the *ADL*.

Gh: *Well...er, it didn't say ADL; it says...er [SC].*

Sh: Where is it, is it in the newspaper I mean?

Gh: No, no, on the Radio, on 94. er.... 9.

Sh: [Laughs] Amazing.

Gh: It came out on the Radio only because there is a newspaper, they didn't have the time...

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: It wasn't written in the newspapers today. *So, it is...er, there is an..., so you'll be surprised, I mean, what's gonna happen tomorrow. A lot of work going on, my dear.*

Sh: By God, a lot of work is going on.

Gh: So, er....

Sh: Ah, a lot of work going on..

Gh: For your information, this is another thing, the *ADL* are attacking the *Christian Coalition*.

Sh: Wow.

Gh: ...so they wrote a report about them approximately 20 pages.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *Footnoted with 77 footnote.*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *That starts with the Anti Defamation League has committed defamation. [laughs] there is no other conclusion to be reached after reading its new report.*

Sh: Who, who wrote about whom?

Gh: The, the, the..er *ADL* made a report....[SC]

Sh: About the *Christian...* [SC]

Gh: ...like they did about Muslims, they made one about the *Religious Right*.

Sh: Ouf!

Gh: They called their report *The Religious Right*.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: ...*the assault on tolerance and tolerism [sic] in America*.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *That's the ADL report. Now the er, Christian Coalition is coming out to defend...er, er, itself and they're saying er, er, that ...er, on June 9, 1994 the Anti Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, an organization created to fight defamation released a report that alleges with shoddy research....*

Sh: Beautiful.

Gh: ...*and thread-bare scholarship*.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: ...*that politically active people of faith pose a threat to the survival of the American Constitutional Democracy*.

Sh: Ouf!

Gh: ...*the ADL accuses numerous religious conservative organizations and leaders of, er, and leaders of anti-Semitism and bigotry...*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: ... *in so doing the ADL itself has committed defamation*.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *The ADL's new def, def,...definition of intolerance apparently is disagreement with its liberal pol..., politics.*

Sh: How amazing!

Gh: *The ADL report is filled with fabrication...*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *...half truths, innuendo. Do you remember this....er.*

Sh: Yes.

Gh: The word that was used by....er.

Sh: Yes.

Gh: ...Briksman?

Sh: Yes, yes.

Gh: *...i-n-n-u-e-n-d-o.*

Sh: Yes.

Gh: What does this mean?

Sh: *Innendo?* [sic]

Gh: *Innendo* [sic]

Sh: I'll look it up for you...[SC].

Gh: They now used, er...it seems that he took it from him by the way.

Sh: Yes, yes.

Gh: *The ADL report is filled with fabrication, half truths, innendo [sic] and guilt by association.*

Sh: Hmm..

Gh: *...but are remnance [sic], er, er, reminiscent of the political style practice by Joseph McCarthy...*

Sh: Beautiful.

Gh: *...in the 1950's [SC].*

Sh: Beautiful, beautiful, beautiful.

Gh: *This, it goes on, its 20 pages.*

Sh: *Good, good, good, good.*

Gh: *Man, those people are enemy [sic] of anybody.*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *I mean, they are, they are vicious.*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *...and er, er..., I mean.*

Sh: Hmm....

Gh: *I don't know what to say about all this garbage, but er, there's another piece here I want you to know, "American History denounce arrogance [mumbling], the ADL..., the ADL...er, yeah. The bastards, they wrote here that Hamas..., where is it? [Mumbles] Ok, Ok, "According to US law enforcement officials, an Israeli...", this is er, a report by the way at the ADL er, home page.*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *It's title is "Kindergartens and killing".*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"Kindergartens and killing".*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"A guide to Hamas".*

Sh: Hmm.

Gh: *They wrote, "According to US law enforcement officials and Israeli Security Authorities, Hamas raises funds in the US..."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: "...through Mosques...".

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: "...Muslim organizations...".

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: "...and legitimate charitable organizations....".

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: "...and engage in various other activities here".

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *That's in the US. "The amount of money raised in the US as well as the nature and scope of Hamas activity er, on our shores..."*, ours, it's their shores, the bastards, "...are difficult to document. Most of the funds raised here flow to Hamas-run hospitals...."

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: "...schools and charities, with only a portion diverted to Hamas armed wing to finance serious attacks".

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"That most of the money indeed goes to humanitarian services renders it extremely difficult...."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: "...to severe [sic] private American donations to Hamas".

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"In January 1995, President Clinton signed an executive order blocking the US assets of terrorist organizations that threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process".*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...and prohibited financial transaction [sic] with them. According to the Treasury Department, since the directive 800,000 worth of Hamas related assets have been frozen".*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"It is unfortunate that the comprehensive anti-terrorism legislation which passed the senate in June and would have codified fundraising restrictions...."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...and expanded the ban on providing any type of material to support terrorist organizations was greatly watered down..."*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"...in the version passed by the house"*

Sh: Hmm....

Gh: *Er..., "Other reported Hamas activities in the United States include recruiting members, planning meetings, paramilitary and fire arms training...."*

Sh: O merciful God!

Gh: *"...and production and dissemination of hate-filled videos and print materials vilifying Israel, America and moderate Muslims. Centers of Hamas-related activity have been identified in Illinois, Virginia, Michigan, Texas and California"*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *"It is further suspected that the political and military leaders, er, leadership of Hamas was situated in the US but...[UI], yeah, OK ...after this incident Hamas in the wake of February ninety...er, Ah, Hamas, Abou Marzouk..., recent ...[UI] divisions within Hamas have clandestine and defused....yeah Ok. "The clandestine and defused structure of Hamas renders it extremely difficult to determine their liability and authenticity, you know. "It is further unclear whether...". Yeah, well, "ultimately the er..., Ok". So that's probably what I wanted to say about er... "President Clinton signed, Ok, difficult... [mumbles] difficult to.... [UI], yeah. "American donations to Hamas". You see, they know that you are Muslim, you are a Palestinian.*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: Which means that you are Hamas. Do you understand me?

Sh: Hmm... Hmm...

Gh: And the money that was collected, it says that its going to hospitals. But, some of it goes

to terrorism, it doesn't go, that is, that is an excuse.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: It's and excuse.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: An excuse to cut, er, to, to depend on them economically and this, this dependence is depending on your behavior my friend.

Sh: Hmm...Hmm...

Gh: That's the slavery. Anyway.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: Er, er, the, the, the, the, the summery, it seems to me, let's brain, brain storm again.

Sh: Yeah.

Gh: We have a meeting for the...,er..., DMC on Wednesday.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: I, I'll call Thomas to expedite the local er, er, press conference and these things, on the er. It seems to me that the plan should be the following: we are waging a fundraising campaign....

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: See, if the international world realized that it needs to collect a hundred million....

Sh: Yes.

Gh: ...I'm required to collect.

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: So, I am, er, so I am going along with the whole world, Ok?

Sh: Hmm...Yeah.

Gh: According to the United Nation[sic]

Sh: *Yeah, yeah.*

Gh: *...we are requesting all the Muslim public and non-Muslims and all sympathizer to starve because of all the starvation and every country is gonna, er something like this.*

Sh: *Yeah.*

Gh: *So we, er, this is the campaign of fundraising, alright. Meanwhile, we will do er, er, we will bring that to the public in a form of press release, er, and include in it the question of torture and er, exposing the lies of those who wanna take advantage of the suffering of the Palestinians and for political, er, er...ha, listen to this my friend, you wanna listen....*

Sh: *Hmm...Hm...*

Gh: *...to another thing I just found today, I want to go pray. I brought you Anita's picture,*

Sh: *By God?*

Gh: *Nita Louie.*

Sh: *Yes.*

Gh: *You know something?*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *Listen to that, I have her picture*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *...and it says under it "Representative Nita Louie will speak March 3rd at the Jewish Center of Key Gardens Health".*

Sh: *In, er, en Dallas?*

Gh: *No, no, no, no. March 3rd.*

Sh: *Yes.*

Gh: *She spoke at that Jewish center two days before she wrote the letter.*

Sh: *[laughs].*

Gh: *What that explains to you? [sic].*

Sh: By God, this is a beautiful piece of information.

Gh: *What they explains to you? [sic]. Nita Louie will speak, this is announcement, er, in, in something called Jewish Weekly, its published in New York, and covers the Bronx and, and, and West..er..Westminster...*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *...whatever, Westchester. It says Nita Louie will speak March 3rd at the Jewish center of, of, of Key Gardens Health, she spoke there, someone came with the report and said, "Do you see the constituency? See how many now want a Jewish center? You see how many there? They're five hundred. You see this organization? Give me some support.*

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: So, she went and wrote the letter.

Sh: Yes, yes.

Gh: *And that's the whole game in this town.*

Sh: Yes, yes.

Gh: So, no, and the American Government will do what?

Sh: Hmm...

Gh: *God knows? I don't know, I don't know.*

Sh: What?

Gh: *But, see the mentality that I should do something because, because I want to avoid them cracking me, I don't want that mentality.*

Sh: No, no, no, that...[SC]

Gh: *Because if I am a criminal, I'm a criminal, I'll tell you, there's nothing you can do. What we have to do is wage a campaign of fundraising and er..., an offensive campaign...*

Sh: Yeah.

Gh: *...to stop those guys from accusing us.*

Sh: *No, fine?*

Gh: *That's it, I don't want for someone tell me you are...er, er, what is that? Man, er there's nothing like that, now if it's gonna happen, you think America is the country of liberties? Overnight it will start doing what it wants.*

Sh: *Hmm...*

Gh: *It will do what it wants.*

Sh: *Yes.*

Gh: *Yes.*

Sh: *Good, good, er, I, I don't disagree with that, we, as long as we do something proactive.*
[SC]

Gh: *So, er ... what, er.[SC]*

Sh: *And, and, and, suggest to, suggest to what's his name, to also do something in front of the ADL itself.*

Gh: *Yes, let us now pray, eat dinner and later we'll talk.*

Sh: *Ok, Ok. Peace be with you.*

Gh: *Peace be with you.*

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